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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated December 4, 2007, having a two-month deadline of February 4, 2008, applicants request entry of the following amendment:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper;

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.